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Large Crowd Attend Final Rites of Miss H. B. Stevens

An estimated crowd of five hundred relatives, friends and admirers attended the funeral services of the late Miss Hester B. Stevens last Sunday at 1 p.m. at the Galilee Baptist Church. The pastor of the church officiated and delivered the eulogy. He was assisted in the service by the Reverends C. L. Elliott, James Franklin, Jr., Mr. Taylor of New York, and F. D. Yates, a former pastor of Galilee Church. A combined choir from Promise Land, Mount Shiloh and Galilee rendered favorite selections. A solo was rendered by Mrs. Evelyn Berry. Acknowledgements were made by Mrs. H. R. Foster, assistant principal of Appomattox Elementary School. Expressions and recognitions were made by members of the Theta Sigma Sorority, The Modernistic Club and the Retired Teachers Association. The flowers were in large numbers and were carried by members of the Sorority and club members and the retired teachers. Pallbearers were John A. Watson, L. A. Lawing, James Pannell, William Hancock, Peter Flood and R. Q. Lawing, Jr. Honorary pallbearers were deacons George Scruggs, Hobot Watson, Mckinley Austin, Charlie Williams, Randolph Johnson and Lacey Webb. The visiting ministers paid tribute to the work of the deceased. The pastor paid glowing tribute to the work of the deceased as a school teacher, community worker, and a lover of her church and a loyal, sincere Christian worker.

A fitting tribute will be found in another section of this paper.

The annual Ladies Day sponsored by the Willing Workers Club of the Promise Land Baptist Church was enjoyed by all who attended. The Rev. H. W. Pryor and his senior choir from the Mount Airy Church were the special guest. Mrs. Margaret Forest served as mistress of ceremony. The following program was carried out in an effective manner. Opening selection by the guest choir, Scripture reading, Mrs. Ella Robinson; Prayer, Mrs. Pauline Hancock; Selection, Guest Choir; Welcome address, Miss Jauquetta Robinson; Response, Mrs. Marie Tyler; Solo, Mrs. Evelyn Berry; Greeting from local Ladies Clubs; Introduction of guest speaker by the pastor; Sermon, Rev. H. W. Pryor; Section, Guest Choir; Offering, Mrs. Alberta Cheatham, Mrs. Margaret Ferguson, and Mrs. Annie Harvey. The offertory prayer was given by Mrs. Annie Harvey; Announcements, Remarks, Closing selection and Benediction. A total of $138.75 was reported. The president, Mrs. Julia Pennix, gave the closing remarks with words of thanks and praise.

The general public is cordially invited to attend the regular worship service at the Mount Shiloh Baptist Church this Sunday morning at 11 a.m.

The Promise Land Men's Club will hold its regular monthly meeting this second Sunday evening at 6 p.m. All members and friends are cordially invited to attend. The discussion on officer's qualification will be continued by the pastor. The regular evening service will begin at 7 p.m.

Mr. Earnest Abbott of Evergreen, died in the Lynchburg General Marshall Lodge Hospital early Monday morning. Funeral services will be conducted from the Morning Star Baptist Church this afternoon. West Funeral Home has charge of arrangements.

The Rev. C. W. Dunning, pastor of the Mount Carmel Baptist Church and his Gospel Chorus will render service at the Galilee Baptist Church on the third Sunday in this month at 3 p.m. The program is being presented by the Junior Choir organization of the church. Members and friends are cordially invited to attend.

Dedication and memorial service will be held at the Promise Land Baptist Church on the fourth Sunday in this month at 3 p.m. The Rev. K. W. Davis and his Chestnut Grove Church choir will be the special guest. The literary program will be given by members of the church.

The Appomattox Branch of the NAACP will meet this Monday evening at 7:30 at the Gravel Hill Baptist Church at Hurtsville. All members and friends are asked to be present.

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The Pastor Speaks

"Behold, if the leprosy have covered all his flesh, he shall pronounce him clean that hath the plague." Leviticus 13:13.

As strange as this regulation appears, yet there was wisdom in it, for the throwing out of the disease proved that the constitution was sound. It may be well for us to see the typical teaching of so singular a rule. We, too are lepers, and may read the law of the leper as applicable to ourselves. When a man sees himself to be altogether last and ruined, covered all over with the defilement of sin, and no part free from pollution; when he disclaims all righteousness of his own, and pleads guilty before the Lord, then is he clean through the blood of Jesus, and the grace of God. Hidden, unfelt, unconfessed sin is the true leprosy, but when sin is seen and felt, it has received its death blow, and the Lord looks with eyes of mercy upon the soul afflicted with it. Nothing is more deadly than self-righteousness, or more hopeful than contrition. We must confess that we are "nothing else but sin," for no confession short of this will be the whole truth, and if the Holy Spirit be at work with us, convincing us of sin, there will be no difficulty about making such an acknowledgment - it will spring spontaneously from our lips.

What comfort does the text afford to those under a deep sense of sin! Sin, mourned and confessed, however black and dirty, shall never shut a man out from the Lord Jesus. Whosoever comes unto Him. He will in no wise cast out. Though dishonest as the thief, though unchaste as the woman who was a sinner, though fierce as Saul of Tarsus, though cruel as Manasseh, though rebellious as the prodigal, the great heart of love will look upon the man who feels himself to have no soundness in him, and will pronounce him clean, when he trusts in Jesus. Come to Him, poor sinner.

Come needy, come guilty, come loathsome and bare;
You can't come to filthy - - come just as you are.

Earnie W. Lucas, Pastor
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Appomattox, Va. 24522

The Sunday School Lesson

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Comment on the International Sunday School Lesson for Sunday, April 13, 1975.

Topic Man's Responsibility for Creation

Scripture: Genesis 1:26-31; Psalm 8

Thou hast given him dominion over the works of thy hands; thou has put all things under his feet. Psalm 8:6

In the Scriptural account of creation, we get the picture of God bringing into existance a place which will support life and in which life will flurish as a residence for the creature man. God made the world for man, but in making a place for man to live God also committed certain responsibilities to man. The Genesis account relates that God gave "dominion...over every living thing that moves upon the earth" and all plant life to the male and female He had created.

Psalm 8, attributed to David, repeats the Genesis declaration that God gave to man dominion over God's created works. As generations of people of Israel and still later generations of Christians sang this ancient hymn in their synagogues and churches, the concept of the Divine commitment of dominion over the earth to man has become an important feature of the Judaeo-Christian tradition of man's relationship to God.

While dominion indicates control, it should not be identified or confused with absolute authority. In the Scriptural sense, the dominion which God gave to man and woman over the rest of His creation is a stewardship, in the ancient means of the term, or a trusteeship, as we might now term it. The steward was an overseer, charged with managing and administering the property for the owner's benefit. In the Scriptural presentation of the relation of the world to God, the world belongs to God; He is the owner. The ancient psalm,

"The earth is the Lord's and the fullness thereof, the world and those who dwell therein," is echoed in the modern hymn, "This is my Father's world."

God gave to the make and female He created reproductive power and charged them to "fill the earth and subdue it." Subdue means to bring the earth under control and cultivate it and its resources; it does not mean to ravage it.

The dominion which God gave man involves man's responsibility for the world. He is to use the earth for God's glory and all humanity's-present and future-benefit. As God's overseer, it is man's responsibility to manage the earth so that it remains productive and fit for human and animal habitation. In some of His parables, Jesus brought out vividly this role of man as manager of this world for God.

That man has mistaken his role is obvious. He has mistakenly regarded dominion to mean that the earth belongs to him, to use as he chooses. Consequently man exploits the earth and its peoples, depletes earth's resources for his own profit and enjoyment, without regard for others who are already here and who are yet to live here. Such exploitation is an abuse of dominion, not truly dominion.

God made the world to support life, in order that it might be a fit home for man during his pilgrimage. In the management of earth and its resources, man has the responsibility to look out for those who come later. A few weeks ago, students of the International Sunday School Lessons were reminded, in the study of the Letter to the Hebrews, that people of faith "did not receive what was promised, since God had foreseen something better for us, that apart from us they should not be made perfect." In earthly affairs each generation is a link between past and future generations-neither the individual nor the generation lives apart from God's stewards on each person's and nation's responsibility for earth's affairs, who come later, deprived of resources for human blessing.

The Psalmist raises the question of man's place in the universe. Compared with the universe, man is insignificant. But God has made him a little lower than the angels, exalted being, who has been crowned with glory and honor. This is what he owes to God. With this God-crowned him with authority and responsibility. When man is viewed in true perspective, the Psalmist saw his place and his debt of gratitude to God and his responsibility as God's manager or trustee of the world for God's glory and humanity's benefit. (Based on copyrighted material produced by the Department of the Uniform Series, used by permission.)

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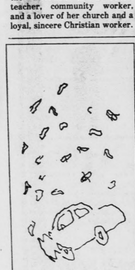

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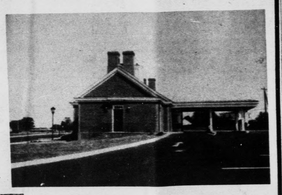

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Calculates Erosion - A New Approach

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Conservation Service soil loss plan conservation practices to keep soil losses within tolerable limits. Most soils can lose about 4 tons per acre per year and not deteriorate.

Many farmers have abandoned conventional conservation systems, such as contour strip cropping, terraces and grass waterways, in favor of cultivating whole fields with large equipment. The group visited several locations and computed soil losses for training purposes. Soil losses on land without the benefit of conservation systems had losses ranging from 25 to 49 tons per acre per year or losing an inch of soil every 3 to 6 years. Many are now renting land and farming it with no regard for conservation. Landowners can't tolerate these excessive losses.

Then too, erosion not only depletes our farmland but its by-product sediment, pollutes our streams. Sediment pollution or muddy water is the greatest pollution to our streams and water courses.

Soil losses can be kept within tolerable limits by planning and applying needed conservation systems and management practices. The Robert E. Lee Soil and Water Conservation District has given conservation planning a high priority. For conservation assistance contact the local office of the USDA Soil Conservation Services.

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...Chenault was chosen ...the month for the ...ttox Chapter, Future ...kers of America for She was recently Miss Betty Crocker Homemaker for Appo... County.

...s helped with several ...m for the faculty and served as a guide for ...g Farmers and Young ...kers at the area Kaye has been an member of all the ...ses and is presently ...s 3rd vice-president of the chapter.

She attended the Fall Rally and the Leadership Workshop. During Vocational Education Week, Kaye arranged the centerpiece for the tea given the teachers and gave a radio program on FHA at WTTX. Kaye is working toward her State Degree in FHA. She is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. William E. Chenault of Appomattox.

Revival Services To Begin At Calvary

Revival services will begin at Calvary Baptist Church, Concord, with the 11:00 a.m. service on Sunday, April 13, and continuing nightly at 7:30 p.m. through Friday, April 18.

For your convenience, a nursery will be provided.

The visiting preacher will be the Rev. Stacy Davis from Chester.

Song leader for the services will be the Rev. Don Wagnor from Rocks Baptist Church, Pamplin.

Rev. Frank Casper, pastor of the host church, invites everyone to attend these services.

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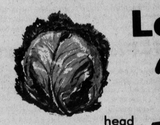
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